

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A method of describing frame information, the method comprising:

describing, for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in [[a]] source video data, first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data; and

describing, for the extracted frame or group of frames, second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising describing, for the extracted frame or group of frames, third information relating to importance of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the first information comprises information specifying an image data file created from the video data of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the extracted frame or group of frames comprises a frame or a group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames included in a temporal section of the source video data, and further describing fourth information specifying the temporal section of the source video data.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein the first information comprises information specifying an image data file created from the source video data ~~of the extracted frame~~, the image data corresponding to the extracted frame or group of frames

Claim 7. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the second information comprises information relating to such display time that a frame activity value during a special reproduction is kept substantially constant.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising describing fifth information indicating whether the extracted frame or group of frames is reproduced or not.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the first information comprises one of information specifying ~~[[a]]~~ the location of the extracted frame or group of frames ~~among the plurality of frames~~ and information specifying a location of image data within an image data file created from the source video data and stored separately from the source video data, the image data corresponding to the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising describing, for media data other than the source video data including the extracted frame or group of frames, information specifying a location of the media data and information relating to a display time of the media data.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A data signal, for use in a video decoding apparatus to describe ~~An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium storing frame information, the~~ data signal ~~frame information~~ comprising:

first information, described for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in source video data, specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data; and

second information, described for the extracted frame or group of frames, relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 12. (Canceled)

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) The data signal ~~article of manufacture~~ according to claim 11, wherein the frame information comprises third information describing the extracted

frame or group of frames and relating to importance of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) The data signal ~~article of manufacture~~ according to claim 11, wherein the first information comprises information specifying an image data file created from the video data of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 15. (Canceled)

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for creating frame information, the apparatus comprising:

a unit configured to extract a frame or group of frames from a plurality of frames in [[a]] source video data;

a unit configured to create the frame information including first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data and second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames; and

a unit configured to link the extracted frame or group of frames to the frame information.

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) A method of creating frame information, the method comprising:

extracting a frame or group of frames from a plurality of frames in [[a]] source video data; and

creating the frame information including first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data and second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames.

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for performing a special reproduction, comprising:

a unit configured to refer to frame information described for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in [[a]] source video data and including first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source

video data and second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames;

a unit configured to obtain the source video data corresponding to the extracted frame or group of frames based on the first information;

~~a unit configured to determine the display time of the extracted frame based on the second information;~~ and

a unit configured to display the obtained source video data for the ~~determined~~ display time based on the second information.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) A method of performing a ~~special~~-reproduction comprising:

referring to frame information described for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in ~~[[a]]~~ source video data and including first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data and second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames;

obtaining the source video data corresponding to the extracted frame or group of frames based on the first information;

~~determining the display time of the extracted frame based on the second information;~~  
and

displaying the obtained source video data for the ~~determined~~ display time based on the second information.

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium ~~having-including~~ computer readable program code means embodied therein, the computer readable program code means performing a ~~special~~-reproduction, the computer readable program code means comprising:

computer readable program code means for causing a computer to refer to frame information described for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in ~~[[a]]~~ source video data, said frame information ~~[[and]]~~ including first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data and second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames;

computer readable program code means for causing a computer to obtain the source video data corresponding to the extracted frame or group of frames based on the first information;

~~computer readable program code means for causing a computer to determine the display time of the extracted frame based on the second information; and~~

computer readable program code means for causing a computer to display the obtained source video data for the determined display time based on the second information.

Claim 21. (Currently Amended) A method of describing sound information, the method comprising:

describing, for a sound frame or group of sound frames extracted from a plurality of sound frames in [[a]] source sound data, first information specifying a location of the extracted sound frame or group of sound frames in the source sound data; and

describing, for the extracted sound frame or group of sound frames, second information relating to a reproduction start time and reproduction time of the ~~sound data of the extracted~~ sound frame or group of sound frames.

Claim 22. (Currently Amended) A data signal, for use in a video decoding apparatus to describe ~~An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium storing frame information, the~~ data signal frame information comprising:

first information, described for a sound frame or group of sound frames extracted from a plurality of sound frames in a source sound data, specifying a location of the extracted sound frame or group of sound frames in the source sound data; and

second information, described for the extracted sound frame or group of sound frames, relating to a reproduction start time and reproduction time of the ~~sound data of the~~ extracted sound frame or group of sound frames.

Claim 23. (Currently Amended) A method of describing text information, the method comprising:

describing, for a text frame or group of text frames extracted from a plurality of text frames in [[a]] source text data, first information specifying a location of the extracted text frame or group of text frames in the source text data; and

describing, for the extracted text frame or group of text frames, second information relating to a display start time and display time of the ~~text data of the~~ extracted text frame or group of text frames.

Claim 24. (Currently Amended) A data signal, for use in a video decoding apparatus to describe ~~An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium storing~~ frame information, the data signal ~~frame information~~ comprising:

first information, described for a text frame or text frames extracted from a plurality of text frames in [[a]] source text data, specifying a location of the extracted text frame or text frames in the source text data; and

second information, described for the extracted text frame or text frames, relating to a display start time and display time of the ~~text data of the~~ extracted text frame or group of text frames.

Claim 25. (New) A method of describing frame information, the method comprising:  
describing, for a frame or group of frames extracted from a plurality of frames in source video data, first information specifying a location of the extracted frame or group of frames in the source video data;

describing, for the extracted frame or group of frames, second information relating to a display time of the extracted frame or group of frames;

describing, for the extracted frame or group of frames, third information indicating the plurality of frames in the source video data.

Claim 26. (New) The method according to claim 25, wherein the third information comprises start time information indicating a start of the plurality of frames and section length information indicating a time length of the plurality of frames.

Claim 27. (New) The method according to claim 26, wherein the third information further comprises source video position information indicating a location of the source video data.

Claim 28. (New) The method according to claim 25, wherein the third information comprises start time information indicating a start of the plurality of frames and section length information indicating a time length of the plurality of frames.